

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: **ROBERTS, ET AL.**

SERIAL NO: **10/579,640**

FILED: **03/05/2007**

§ EXAMINER: **SRIVASTAVA, KC**

§ GROUP ART UNIT: **1657**

§ DOCKET: **96605/32US**

§ CON. NO.: **9390**

FOR: **METHOD FOR STABILIZATION OF  
BIOLOGICAL CULTURES TO ALLOW  
BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF BRINES**

§  
§  
§

<b>CERTIFICATE OF E-FILING</b>		<b>25 February 2010</b>
I hereby certify that this paper was electronically filed with the EBC of the USPTO:		Date of Deposit
<b>EXAMINER KC SRIVASTAVA</b>		
<b>MS AMENDMENT</b>		
<b>/Robert W. Strozier/</b>		<b>25 February 2010</b>
Robert W. Strozier	P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Date of Signature

**RESPONSE TO 2 FEBRUARY 2010 ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Examiner KC Srivastava :

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated **2 February 2010** Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

**SUMMARY OF ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

<b>Claims 1-30</b>	Pending
<b>Claims 1-13</b>	Group I – Composition
<b>Claims 14-30</b>	Group II – Methods